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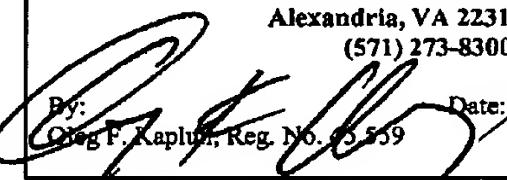
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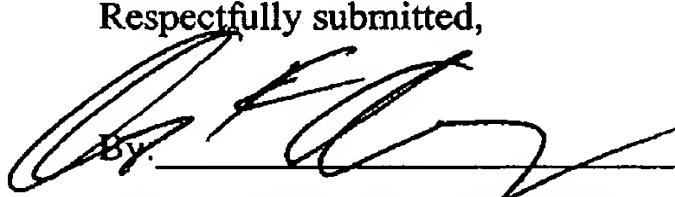
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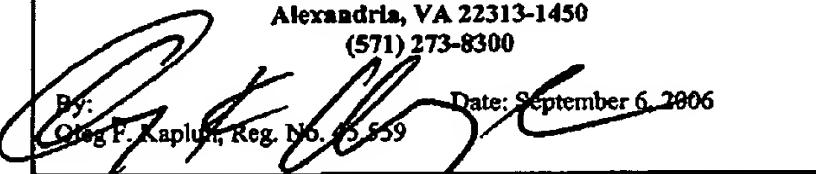
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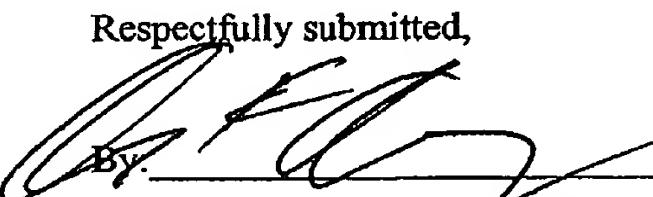
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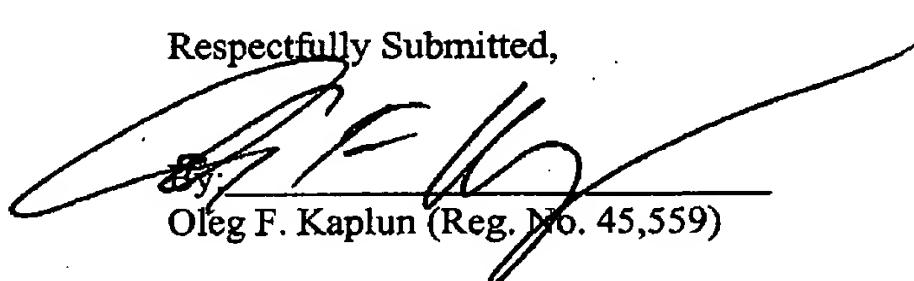
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action dated June 15, 2006 rejecting claims 1-5, 7-10, 12-15, 18 and 21 and the Advisory Action dated August 17, 2006.

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